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Communicable Disease Report December 8, 2008

Gallatin County Weekly Communicable Disease Report November 26- Dec 2, 2008

Reportable :

6 Chlamydia
1 Salmonella
1 Cat Bite
1 E.Coli
1 Chickenpox

Non- Reportable :

38 Streptococcus

Montana Communicable Disease Update:

First Confirmed Case of Influenza (B) for the 2008-2009 Influenza Season- A child from Deer Lodge County is the first confirmed case of influenza (B) for the 2008-2009 influenza season. In order to confirm influenza early in the season, please send influenza quick test positive specimens to the Montana Public Health Laboratory for polymerase chain reaction (PCR) testing. There is no cost for this testing until there are two positive specimens from within the county. Vaccination efforts should continue throughout the season, including after influenza activity has begun in the community.

2008 ACIP Recommendations: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/acip/index.htm>
Influenza Surveillance Reports-US: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivity.htm> and
Montana: <http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/PHSD/epidemiology/commun-disease-epi-surv.shtml>
Additional Information: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu>
Cover Your Cough Posters: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/covercough.htm>

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